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This mission directive states the mission of the 79th Medical Wing (79 MDW), communicates responsibilities of the 79 MDW to subordinate organizations and assigned personnel and explains the organizational relationship between the 79 MDW, Headquarters Air Force District of Washington (HQ AFDW), Headquarters United States Air Force (HAF), Defense Health Agency (DHA), Joint Forces Headquarters-National Capital Region (JFHQ-NCR) and the National Capital Region-Medical Directorate (NCR-MD).

This directive implements Air Force Policy Directive (AFPD) 38-6, Mission Directives, and Air Force Mission Directive (AFMD) 13, Air Force District of Washington, which defines the mission, responsibilities and organizational relationships of HQ AFDW Joint Base Andrews-Naval Air Facility Washington (JBA-NAFW), Maryland. This mission directive does not apply to the Air Force Reserve Command (AFRC) or the Air National Guard (ANG). Ensure all records created as a result of processes prescribed in this publication are maintained in accordance with (IAW) Air Force Manual (AFMAN) 33-363, Management of Records, and disposed of IAW Air Force Records Information Management System (AFRIMS) Records Disposition Schedule (RDS). Refer recommended changes and questions about this publication to the Office of Primary Responsibility (OPR) using the AF Form 847, Recommendation for Change of Publication through the appropriate functional chain of command to AFDW/A5X, 1500 West Perimeter Drive, Suite 5370, Joint Base Andrews, MD 20762.

## ***SUMMARY OF CHANGES***

This updated mission directive incorporates changes to office symbols and the migration of inpatient treatment and other health services between medical facilities within the National Capital Region (NCR) resulting from the continuation of Joint Basing and Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) 2005. It also incorporates changes from the dissolution of Joint Task Force-National Capital Region-Medical (JTF-CAPMED) and the activation of the DHA and the NCR-MD.

### **1. MISSION.**

1.1. The 79 MDW is the Air Force's medical voice for planning and implementing Air Force and joint solutions within the NCR. Its mission is to organize, train, equip and provide medical forces for Air and Space Expeditionary Force (AEF) deployments, Homeland Operations, National Special Security Events (NSSEs), Special Events Assessment Ratings (SEARs) and designated ceremonial events within the NCR. The 79 MDW executes General Dentistry Residency, Graduate Medical Education training programs and a multitude of enlisted medical training programs. The 79 MDW is also responsible for providing medical support to Presidential, Congressional, Joint Staff and Air Staff special airlift missions. On order, 79 MDW will provide medical support to NCR-MD or Joint Task Force National Capital Region (JTF-NCR) as directed in Higher Headquarters tasking order.

### **2. COMMAND.**

2.1. The 79 MDW reports to HQ AFDW.

2.2. Organization Structure. The 79 MDW is organized IAW Air Force Instruction (AFI) 38-101, Air Force Organization and HQ USAF approved variances.

2.3. Organization Changes. Requests to change the organizational structure of 79 MDW must be made IAW AFI 38-101 through AFDW/A1.

### **3. RESPONSIBILITIES.**

3.1. Wing Commander (CC):

3.1.1. Report directly to the Commander, HQ AFDW.

3.1.2. Command the forces of the 79 MDW.

3.1.3. Serve as AFDW Surgeon General (SG) and as the primary advisor to the AFDW/320 AEW Commander and staff on all aspects of Air Force NCR medical capabilities and functions.

3.1.4. Organize, train and equip 79 MDW forces for worldwide AEF deployments, Homeland Operations, NSSEs, SEARs and designated ceremonial events within the NCR.

3.1.5. Liaise with JFHQ-NCR/SG and NCR-MD regarding steady-state Air Force medical capabilities and readiness.

3.1.6. On order, provide two (2) personnel to serve as Air Force Forces (AFFOR) Operations Center Representatives (OC-REPS) and liaise with JTF-NCR/SG and/or NCR-MD.

3.2. Vice Wing Commander (CV):

3.2.1. Assist the Commander in performance of duties and responsibilities. In the Commander's absence, act for the Commander in matters affecting the wing and as the AFDW/SG in matters affecting Air Force NCR medical capabilities.

3.3. Command Chief Master Sergeant (CCC):

3.3.1. Serve as the principal advisor to the Commander and staff on matters of health, welfare, morale and the proper utilization of enlisted personnel within the wing.

3.4. Director of Staff (DS):

3.4.1. Responsible to the Commander for overall efficient operation of the wing staff.

3.4.2. Manage all staff administrative activities including performance evaluations, promotion recommendations, disciplinary action, travel, temporary duty assignments and records management.

3.4.3. Manage wing staff manpower, manning and exercise tasking authority for all wing organizations.

3.4.4. Manages Wing Protocol (CCP).

3.4.4.1. Serve as primary advisor to Commander, staff and subordinate units on protocol issues.

3.4.4.2. Prepare and coordinate distinguished visitor itineraries; serve as OPR for official visits and social functions hosted by the Commander and wing changes of command; advise and guide on group and squadron changes of command, retirements, and promotion ceremonies.

3.4.5. Manages Wing Public Affairs (PA):

3.4.5.1. Provide counsel to the Commander, staff, and subordinate units on public matters, media and community relations affecting the Wing's mission.

3.4.5.2. Develop information strategies to achieve the Wing's mission.

3.4.5.3. Comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA) Privacy Rule to protect the privacy of individually identifiable information.

3.4.6. Manages Wing Safety Program

3.4.6.1. Fosters environment of safe operations and complies with all Air Force, local, state and national safety standards as required.

3.5. Inspector General (IG):

3.5.1. Advise Commander and wing leadership on IG matters.

3.5.2. Administer the wing complaint resolution and fraud, waste and abuse programs, IAW AFI 90-301, Inspector General Complaint Resolution.

3.5.3. Administer the wing Commander's Inspection Program IAW AFI 90-201, The Air Force Inspection System.

3.6. Administrator (SGA):

3.6.1. Serve as senior medical administrator for the wing.

3.6.2. Coordinate wing resource and facility requirements; secure and manage medical resources and information, limiting institutional risk; establish and maintain external organizational relationships essential for health care operations.

3.6.3. Coordinate comptroller support through the 11th Wing Comptroller Squadron (11 CPTS) for the 779 MDG and through HQ AFDW Financial Management (HQ AFDW/FM) for 579 MDG.

3.6.4. Direct the 79 MDW Medical Service Corps mentoring program to include assignments and career counseling.

3.6.5. Represent the Commander at NCR Integration meetings with various agencies.

3.7. Medical Operations and Plans (SGAX):

3.7.1. Serve as the principal medical readiness advisor to the Commander and staff; act as medical readiness liaison to JFHQ/JTF-NCR, NCR-MD, HQ AFDW, 11th Wing, 89th Airlift Wing, 844th Communications Group and Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling (JBAB) as required.

3.7.2. Responsible for the overall management of the wing readiness program to organize, train, equip and provide medical forces for worldwide AEF deployments, Homeland Operations, NSSEs, SEARs and designated ceremonial events within the NCR.

3.7.3. On order, provide representation to the AFDW/320 AEW Operations Center.

3.8. Chief of Medical Operations (SGH/SGP):

3.8.1. Ensure overall quality medical care is delivered by the wing.

3.8.2. Serve as consultant on medical and credentialing issues for the wing.

3.8.3. Act as consultant and subject matter expert in the aerospace medical specialty to include aerospace medicine clinical oversight; aeromedical consultancy; aerospace medicine program planning and oversight; education and training of medical staff on aeromedical functions; preventive, occupational and operational medicine fundamentals and operational interface and human weapon system enhancement.

3.8.4. Serve as wing representative to the AF/SG Medical Operations Panel to develop Air Force medical policies and implementation.

3.8.5. Mentor all wing Medical Corps personnel on professional development as both officers and physicians, to include assignments and career counseling.

3.8.6. Serve as wing representative to the Air Force Medical Corps Development Team.

3.9. Command Nurse (SGN):

3.9.1. Serve as Senior Nurse and the Chief Nurse Executive for the wing. Direct the wing Nurse mentoring program to include assignments and career counseling.

3.9.2. Responsible for the practice of quality nursing and nursing services in all wing Military Treatment Facilities (MTFs).

3.9.3. Represent the wing's active duty nurses as Senior Corps Chief at Air Force Nurse Corps Developmental Team meetings; execute Nurse Corps programs and policies for the wing.

3.9.4. Serve as consultant on nursing related issues for the wing.

3.9.5. Responsible for wing Education and Training Divisions and Patient Advocacy Programs.

3.10. Medical Legal Consultant (MLC):

3.10.1. Advise the Commander on all medical legal matters affecting the wing and other AFDW units, as well as legal offices at JBA-NAFW and JBAB. Provide support to other MTFs and fulfill responsibilities as delineated by AFI 51-302, Medical Law.

3.11. 779th Medical Group (779 MDG):

3.11.1. Maintain medical readiness for worldwide contingencies, provide specialized health care and dental care at JBA-NAFW to beneficiaries in the NCR and sponsor professional training programs.

3.11.2. Support Presidential and Congressional special airlift missions and global aerospace evacuation.

3.11.3. The following organizations are designated and assigned units under the 779 MDG: 779th Medical Operations Squadron (779 MDOS), 779th Medical Support Squadron (779 MDSS), 779th Aerospace Medicine Squadron (779 AMDS), 779th Dental Squadron (779 DS), 779th Surgical Operations Squadron (779 SGC) and the Pentagon Flight Medicine Clinic (779 SGPP).

3.11.3.1. 779 MDOS: Provide comprehensive outpatient medical, outpatient mental health, physical and occupational medical care for NCR beneficiaries at JBA-NAFW as well as inpatient care at Fort Belvoir Community Hospital (FBCH) and Walter Reed National Naval Medical Center Bethesda (WRNMCB). Execute graduate and undergraduate medical education training. Support Presidential and Congressional Special Airlift Missions. Provide ambulatory services for personnel at JBA-NAFW and FBCH.

3.11.3.2. 779 MDSS: Provide essential ancillary and support services to 779 MDG units and staff to include laboratory, pharmacy, nutritional medicine, resource management, medical logistics, facility management, biomedical equipment repair, commanders' support staff, information systems and TRICARE Operations and Patient Administration (TOPA).

3.11.3.3. 779 AMDS: Provide aerospace medicine health care services at JBA-NAFW for aerospace medicine eligible NCR beneficiaries; provide aerospace medical support for global aerospace evacuation to include Wounded Warrior support in the 779th Aeromedical Staging Facility. Execute environmental and public health services for JBA-NAFW.

3.11.3.4. 779 DS: Provide comprehensive global readiness dental services to include general dentistry, prosthodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery, orthodontics, periodontics, endodontics and preventive dentistry at JBA-NAFW for NCR

beneficiaries. Support a one-year Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) Residency. Coordinate and support after-hours emergent dental care for beneficiaries within the NCR.

3.11.3.5. 779 SGC: Provide outpatient and same day surgical services, obstetrics and gynecology, surgical sub-specialties to include ophthalmology, orthopedics, ear nose and throat with limited plastic surgery, podiatry, urology, radiology and limited vascular care at JBA-NAFW and to beneficiaries within the NCR.

3.11.3.6. 779 SGPP: Provide Aerospace medicine health care services for rated aircrew members from all services assigned to the Pentagon to include Secretarial appointed civilians. Provide on-site lab, pharmacy support and public health support. Provide travel medicine support upon request. Provide medical care and supervision of all care to the personnel in the Presidential Support Program and Personnel Reliability Program at JBA-NAFW. Execute Department of Defense (DoD) acupuncture research, education and training. Maintain medical readiness in support of Continuity of Government, Secretary of Defense (SECDEF) Continuity of Operation and Pentagon Force Protection missions.

3.12. 579th Medical Group (579 MDG):

3.12.1. Maintain medical readiness for worldwide contingencies, provide health care and dental care at JBAB and the Pentagon to NCR beneficiaries and sponsor an advanced dental residency program.

3.12.2. The following units are designated and assigned under the 579 MDG: 579th Medical Operations Squadron (579 MDOS), 579th Medical Support Squadron (579 MDSS) and the 579th Dental Squadron (579 DS).

3.12.2.1. 579 MDOS: Provide comprehensive outpatient medical care, aerospace, operational, presidential support and personnel reliability related medical services at JBAB and the Pentagon for NCR beneficiaries and geographically-separated personnel administratively attached to the 11th Wing. Provide public health and health promotion services at JBAB.

3.12.2.2. 579 MDSS: Provide essential ancillary and support services to 579 MDG units and staff to include laboratory, radiology, pharmacy, resource management, medical logistics, facility management, biomedical equipment repair, medical readiness, commander's support staff, information systems and TRICARE Operations and Patient Administration (TOPA).

3.12.2.3. 579 DS: Provide comprehensive global readiness dental services at JBAB, the Pentagon and Ft Meade for NCR beneficiaries and geographically-separated personnel administratively attached to the 11th Wing. Direct a one-year AEGD Residency training program.

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**Attachment 1****GLOSSARY OF REFERENCES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION*****References***

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***Adopted Forms***

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***Abbreviations and Acronyms***

**AEGD**—Advanced Education in General Dentistry  
**AEF**—Air Expeditionary Force  
**AFDW**—Air Force District of Washington  
**AFFOR**—Air Force Forces  
**AFI**—Air Force Instruction  
**AFMAN**—Air Force Manual  
**AFPD**—Air Force Policy Directive  
**AFRC**—Air Force Reserve Command  
**AFRIMS**—Air Force Records Information Management System  
**AMDS**—Aerospace Medicine Squadron  
**ANG**—Air National Guard  
**BRAC**—Base Realignment and Closure  
**CC**—Commander  
**CCC**—Command Chief Master Sergeant  
**CCP**—Protocol  
**CPTS**—Comptroller Squadron  
**CV**—Vice Commander  
**DHA**—Defense Health Agency  
**DoD**—Department of Defense

**DS**—Dental Squadron  
**FBCH**—Fort Belvoir Community Hospital  
**FM**—Financial Management  
**HQ**—AFDW Headquarters Air Force District of Washington  
**HAF**—Headquarters US Air Force  
**HIPPA**—Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act  
**IAW**—In Accordance With  
**IG**—Inspector General  
**JB**—Joint Base  
**JBAB**—Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling  
**JBA**—NAFW-Joint Base Andrews-Naval Air Facility Washington  
**JFHQ**—NCR-Joint Forces Headquarters-National Capital Region  
**JTF-CAPMED**—Joint Task Force-National Capital Region-Medical  
**JTF-NCR**—Joint Task Force - National Capital Region  
**MDG**—Medical Group  
**MDOS**—Medical Operations Squadron  
**MDSS**—Medical Support Squadron  
**MDW**—Medical Wing  
**MLC**—Medical Legal Consultant  
**MTF**—Military Treatment Facility  
**NCR**—National Capital Region  
**NCR-MD**—National Capital Region-Medical Directorate  
**NSSE**—National Special Security Events  
**OC-REPS**— Operations Center-Representatives  
**OPR**—Office of Primary Responsibility  
**PA**—Public Affairs  
**RDS**—Records Disposition Schedule  
**SEAR**—Special Events Assessment Rating  
**SECDEF**—Secretary of Defense  
**SG**—Surgeon General  
**SGA**—Surgeon General Administrator  
**SGAX**—Medical Operations and Plans



**SGC**—Surgical Operations Squadron

**SGN**—Surgeon General Nurse

**SGPP**—Pentagon Flight Medicine Clinic

**TOPA**—TRICARE Operations and Patient Administration

**WRNMCB**—Walter Reed National Naval Medical Center Bethesda